

State of New York
County of Fulton
Town of Caroga

Minutes of the Regular monthly Caroga Town Board meeting held Wednesday April 14, 2010 at the municipal building located at 1840 State Highway #10 at 7:00 pm with the following persons in attendance by Roll Call:

Supervisor Selmsler - Here
Councilman Ralph Palcovic - Here
Council Member Valerie Scribner - Here
Councilman Robert Sullivan - Here
Councilman Anthony Russitano - Here

Other town officials in attendance were Stephen Jennings – Golf Pro, Greenskeeper, Manager, Mike Heberer – Code Enforcement Officer, Jack DeWeese – Weed Harvesting Coordinator, Katherine Hillock – Assessor, and Deputy Highway Superintendent Charles Wager. There were 15 member of the public in attendance.

Supervisor Selmsler called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. The roll was called and the flag salute conducted.

Public:

Mr. Putman thanked the board for acting on the water situation he discussed with them at last months meeting. The board had Mr. Putman’s water tested. Mr. Putman thought it would be a good idea to look into cutting back on the number of streetlights in town. Some have no use whatsoever. He thought 30 or 40 of them could be turned off.

The supervisor did have a discussion on this with one of the other town supervisors recently. He thought it was a good idea to look into it. Council Member Scribner has looked into this and has information on saving money on street lighting. Councilman Palcovic noted it does cost to remove the lights. But there is long-term savings. Supervisor Selmsler asked Mr. Putman to give him a list of streetlights that he felt could be removed. It was noted that the approximate basic cost per month is \$734.00 with out the usage fee. Problems with streetlights can be reported to the town clerk who then reports them to National Grid.

Mr. Putman thought it would be a good idea to put balls on the wires where the choppers land. There are two sites one on the golf course and the other is at the intersection of State Highway 10 and 10A. This matter has been discussed at a Fire House meeting. Chief Deluca is looking into it.

Bid opening: The clerk received one sealed bid for wood cut from the golf course. Michael Taylor Box 698 Caroga Lake bid \$30.00.

RESOLUTION to sell logs cut from the golf course #2010 – 031

Offered by Councilman Palcovic

Seconded by Councilman Sullivan

WHEREAS, the Caroga Town Board held its regular monthly meeting on April 14, 2010, and

WHEREAS, Stephen Jennings – Golf course manager cut several trees on the Nick Stoner Golf Course to improve the conditions of the course and also to clean up from the winter, and

WHEREAS, an ad was placed in the Leader Herald Newspaper on March 23, 2010 advertising for sealed bids, and

WHEREAS, one sealed bid was received, that being from Michael Taylor PO Box 698 Caroga Lake NY 12032 who owns and operates a saw mill in the town, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Caroga Town Board does hereby move to award the sale of the logs to the lone bidder at \$30.00 that being Mr. Taylor.

Unanimously Carried

A member of the public asked how many logs were to be sold and what kind were they.

Department Reports:

Highway – Deputy Highway Superintendent Chuck Wager reported they were working along and answering complaints. There is work being done on Point Breeze Road and Hutchinson Road to widen the roads. They have taken 30 – 40 trees down. They are replacing culvers making it easier for snow removal. The trees were cleaned up he reported, due to the liability if someone were to come and take them from the right of way. “The stumps are being removed and the brush chipped. You can see a pile of hemlock logs at Gene Bakers house. That he is sawing for the town – for lumber.” He has a portable sawmill. The lumber will be used to repair the back of the pole barn. Councilman Sullivan asked what happened to the other wood. Mr. Wager responded, “What was good the highway department divided up among each other who burn firewood everything else is down on the Lane Road.” Councilman Sullivan has a problem with this. This was done at the direction of the Highway Superintendent, with no discussion to the board Supervisor Selmsler stated. There were problems with fill last year being given away. The Town Supervisor stated there was a policy last year, which may need to be reviewed again.

Councilman Sullivan also wanted to address with the Highway Superintendent the fact that loads are not covered on a regular basis. All the tarps are operable on the trucks. It is the operators. The drivers have been told. The trucks were hauling cobble today and Mr. Stock did not have his load covered the supervisor stated.

It was asked if the other sawmill was offered to do work for the town. Mr. Wager noted that he does not like to wait up to 30 days for payment.

Mr. Wager noted that Mr. Baker does advertise his business. The Code Enforcement was not aware of this business.

Councilman Russitano asked if he was charging the town to cut up the logs. Mr. Wager did not know.

Mr. Insogna reported to the clerk that he worked on Saturday with Jason Morrison to pick up 40 tires that were dumped on Fisher Road. The Town of Blecker picked up 22 tires on their

side of the road. Anyone with information on this should let Mr. Insogna know – they will be prosecuted. Councilman Palcovic asked for increased patrols in that area.

Councilman Sullivan noted that the Code Officer and Dog Control Officer have not had access to a truck, as it is not inspected. Mr. Morrison stated they have an appointment on Monday at Apollo NE. Supervisor Selmser requested that the truck be parked until it is inspected.

A member of the public asked the value of the wood and thought if it was worthless that it was OK for the Highway workers to bring it home. Supervisor Selmser again noted the established policy.

Code Enforcement & Sanitation – Mr. Heberer submitted his written report from March 10 to April 14th 2010 fourteen building permits, and one sanitation permit were issued. One zoning hearing application was paid for. Letters were sent to 17 people for junk vehicles, a sign permit violation, or property maintenance issues. Five tickets were issued. He will let the board know when the court date is. Some of the letters are carry-overs from last year. Some are repeat offenders. Two days ago the judge asked Mr. Heberer to check some ACOD's from last year to see if they had been resolved yet. It is up to the judge to issue a criminal summons. The judge has recently received some complaints via email on this issue.

Dog Control – Mr. Dutcher submitted a note to the clerk. In the last month he wrote one ticket. He has a trial coming up on 4/19 on an ongoing problem. He received 6 calls for the month and took one stray to the Humane Society. A yearly inspection was done by Ag. & Markets with no problems being found. The report is on file in the clerk's office. He also noted that he did not have access to a town vehicle for the past 2-½ weeks. A list of the 8 delinquent dogs remaining unlicensed in 2009 was given to the DCO. The Clerk sent out 18 renewal reminders for Jan – March. The attorney spoke to Mr. Dutcher on some issues to be resolved.

Golf Course – Mr. Jennings reported that the golf course opened Friday April 2, 2010. As of today there are 100 members. Revenue as of today is \$44,310.00. The membership incentive is in effect until May 2, 2010. This is the earliest the course has opened since Mr. Jennings has been the manager. The base is in on the new green on #4. Next, 10 inches of root zone mix will go over top. After it settles he would like to sod it if the money is available. If it is seeded it will take most of the season before it can be used. If sod is put down then they may be able to get on it sometime in July. The old green came back better than last year but a temporary green is being used because it is too wet. He will open the regular green soon. There were 5 major breaks in the irrigation lines. The elbows and sprinkler heads have all been repaired. The course is dry; he is going to start watering it. The men's room had new flooring put down and paneling was put in. Wooden partitions were put in between the stalls the metal ones were pulling away from the wall. New shower stalls, new sink, and baseboards were installed. The golf course workers did all the work.

BTI – Supervisor Selmser reported that the applicators have been monitoring and treating the streams since the beginning of April. Many of the small streams and spring runoff have dried up. No applicators have been added. However a person from the Weed Harvesting program is doing some mapping and monitoring. The board members received a write up about the program. It is posted at the golf course.

Weeds – Mr. DeWeese reported that the same team is coming back this year. He has a line on two more divers. Mike Kaminski from the BTI program wants to be a tender. Mr. DeWeese will be going out in his boat to assess the weed growth. He will talk to the highway superintendent about getting the weed boat out of storage. He will have a training session the last week of May for the staff. It was noted that they couldn't start until the first of June. The permit is good until August 30th. Supervisor Selmsler asked what necessary equipment the second team of divers would need. Mr. DeWeese stated they would only need new boots and gloves to pull. He noted they all have to have their own suits. We do have the breathing apparatus.

Youth - Supervisor Selmsler spoke to the youth director – Desire Hines she is contacting the staff from the prior year. Pine Lake is being considered incase we are not able to use the beach as the state campground for the program. .

Council Member Scribner wanted to have a plan B in place for the youth program. She did not think there was money in the town budget if there are additional expenses with the program due to the closing of the campsite. She recommended having representatives from the town board attend the school's next meeting as their budget is being discussed now. Supervisor Selmsler thought some trade of services could be discusses like it has been done in the past at the campsite.

Jennifer Blowers told the board that she asked six parents in her daughters kindergarten class if they were going to bring their children to summer recreation this year. They said they would not send their kids to rec. unless they could volunteer to make the environment safer. An oversight board may be developed to help out. This is the first the board has heard of any complaints or issues. The board asked for more information at the next meeting.

Councilman Palcovic noted any plan has to be certified by the state. He was not in favor of having the children crossing the road to go to the Glenn Harris Park.

Council Member Scribner and Councilman Russitano will meet with the school board next week.

Clerk/Registrar – Linda Gilbert presented her Tax Collection books for audit. She noted that 80% of the roll was collected in her office. A balance sheet with the county was presented. She asked the board to review the books at their convenience.

The clerk will attend the NYS Town Clerks Conference at the end of the month. She asked to have mileage and the registration fee paid from the A1410.4 account.

A topic to be worked out is the new 1 household Multi- vehicles transfer permit. A couple of people have read about it in the directory and asked about it. Jeff Bouchard from the Dept of Solid Waste met with the supervisor and clerk last month. He recommended a paper permit (laminated), which would entitle 3 vehicles from the same household to use the transfer station. All vehicle information must be submitted before the permit will be issued. The clerk asked the board to set the fee for this new permit. After some discussion the board set a fee of \$25.00 for three cars and for any combination of car and truck the fee is \$50.00 for the multi-vehicle permit. The permit will run from April 1 to September 30th.

RESOLUTION to establish Multi Vehicle Transfer station Permit \$2010 - 032

Offered by Councilman Sullivan

Seconded by Councilman Russitano

WHEREAS, the Caroga Town Board held its regular monthly meeting on April 14, 2010, and

WHEREAS, the clerk indicated a desire to establish a Multi-Vehicle Transfer station permit for one household whereby making it easier for family members who share a residence in the town to have access to the transfer station, and

WHEREAS, the Town Supervisor and the Town Clerk met with Jeff Bouchard of the Fulton County Dept. of Solid Waste to discuss options, and

WHEREAS, the Board discussed options, cost, and duration of the new permit this evening, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Caroga Town Board does hereby move to establish a multi-vehicle one residence transfer station permit, and be it further resolved that the cost of the permit shall be \$25.00 for three passenger vehicles, and \$50.00 for a combination of truck(s) or Car(s) limit of three and whereby the permit shall be valid from April 1 to September 30th.

Unanimously Carried

Assessor's Report – Mrs. Hillock spoke to Paul Capone who is a forester for the Office of Real Property Tax Services. He called before cutting the assessments in the town. The assessor gave him a figure less than what they wanted. It ended up being a million dollar reduction. The good part is there will be a transition assessment, which will add some of it back on. This way we know what is coming. The change is due to the equalization rate and the change in the market value. ORPS is using the rate from last year. “It took a tremendous drop it went from 53 to 45. That inflates the market value.” They look at the market value of all the state land in the town and target the towns with the greatest changes in the rate. Mr. Capone said the state is in financial difficulty and looking to reduce their tax liability.

Supervisor Selmsler and the Assessor have talked to the Real Property Director Frank Parker. The assessor also talked to Mr. Capone's boss.

Grievance day will be May 27th in the Town of Caroga. There is one new person on the board – Dave Falvo he will be attending training in Saratoga. Mark Ford will be reappointed and he will need to attend training again also.

The roll has been sent to the county. They will print the tentative roll in a few weeks. The change notices will go out the end of the month.

Supervisor's Report

Last year the town joined a lawsuit against NYS the county will continue to pursue the new regulations on shoreline restrictions. The lawsuit came to a conclusion but the members of the suit agreed to continue it. The board was given six pages of documents regarding the suit. If the town wants to continue to participate the cost will be an additional \$500.00. The basis for the suit is that the APA cannot make law yet they are doing so. Council Member Scribner noted that the town has already spent \$1,000.00. Councilman Sullivan noted the significant amount of shoreline in the town that is being affected. He thought the money would be well spent to continue the lawsuit.

RESOLUTION to continue to be party to the lawsuit against the APA #2010-033

Offered by Councilman Sullivan

Seconded by Councilman Palcovic

WHEREAS, the Caroga Town Board held its regular monthly meeting on April 14, 2010, and

WHEREAS, the County of Fulton is continuing a petition against the Adirondack Park Agency for the 2008 Rulemaking which would impact the shorelines throughout the park in regards to setback and the building of structures, and

WHEREAS, the board discussed this history of the litigation and their options, **now** therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Caroga Town Board does hereby move to continue the lawsuit because of the significant long-term effect it would have on the town if this goes through and does hereby authorize the spending of \$500.00 to continue to participate in the suite which is being handled by McPhillips, Fitzgerald & Cullum LLP.

Unanimously Carried

Mr. Putman stated earlier that the town did follow-up and test his well. The company that monitors the landfill site conducted the test. The results are not in yet. The supervisor also noted new mandatory reporting of green house gas emissions by EPA for MSW Landfills. He will discuss the new reporting with Specialized Environmental Monitoring and ask about the cost.

The installation of the Fire alarm system has been completed. Councilman Palcovic has signed off on it. Supervisor Selmsler has notified the insurance company about the new system. He hopes long-term it will reduce the insurance rates. It was noted that over in the highway barn heat detectors were put in. They also have smoke detectors in the break room.

Supervisor Selmsler attended the local government days in Lake Placid, along with John Fenzl, Rob miller, and a couple of other representative from the town. There was a lot of discussion on funding, updating planning regulations, and recommendations that most towns need to do to keep current.

The Supervisor reported on the financial status of the town: Total receipts and expenditures are net ahead vs. last year \$153,000.00.

Supervisor Selmsler had the pleasure of obtaining the site lease agreement for cell phone equipment to be on town property. He hopes this will bring us closer to being able to provide service for the resident of the town. The next step will be for the actual building permits to be submitted for a height variance. A four-hour balloon test was conducted. In most cases the balloon (site) was not visible. The tower could be up to 95 ft high.

Committee Reports

Buildings and Grounds – Councilman Sullivan asked the supervisor if he looked into the 40-year financing. (Bond) The funds were through USDA and at the time the rates were ½% less than the banks. Under bank government loan you can only borrow based on the materials used in

construction. Council Member Scribner wanted to know how much money was needed. Councilman Palcovic noted that CT Male put together a package. Supervisor Selmser wanted to look at the cost of Morton Building Construction. Councilman Sullivan stated, "What is driving me is we have a building that leaks like a sieve. It probably in a few individual is causing asthma and allergy symptoms. So we really need to move forward in some fashion. One way or the other we have to do something." Council Member Scribner totally agreed. Councilman Palcovic stated the board has failed to take affirmative action. He noted a lot of money has been spent on preliminary engineering. The public input failed to give the board any conclusions in their report. Within the next month the supervisor will get estimates on the other type of structure. Council Member Scribner wanted to have a work session to discuss what we've got and look at where we are going. She wanted to review the information we have to date.

Park Creation - Council Member Scribner met with Katherine Jebson a representative from Parks and Rec. last week. This was her final inspection. She still has \$11,000.00 for the town to spend. There have been donations for flowers and to create flowerbeds. There are approx \$3,500.00 in expenses from last year to be submitted which will qualify for the \$11,000.00. The netting will be put up as soon as possible. The net will be put up and left up, as recommended by the company.

Old Business:

The Supervisor had some conversations about WIN – Workforce Integrity Network the CDL Drug testing company. He received some basic fees per a phone conversation. The fees are a little higher than some of the other options. The county and the town of Johnstown use Energetics and the rates are less. The companies are located out of town or out of state. Council Member Scribner noted the school uses Mountain Medical a company out of Lake Placid.

RESOLUTION to contract for Drug and Alcohol Testing Services #2010-034

Offered by Councilman Palcovic

Seconded by Councilman Sullivan

WHEREAS, the Caroga Town Board held its regular monthly meeting on April 14, 2010, and

WHEREAS, The board discussed and reviewed the current contract up for renewal with WIN- Workforce Integrity Network for random Drug and Alcohol tests for employees with a CDL type license, and

WHEREAS, the board discussed and researched a company that provides services to other municipalities in the county as well as providing services to the county, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Caroga Town Board does hereby move to enter into a one year agreement with Energetix of 87 Saint Pauls Rd. N Hempstead NY 11550 (516) 505-0362, with the cost of a clinic Drug test - \$42.50 and an Alcohol testing cost of \$31.00.

Unanimously Carried

A reminder the Clean up days are set for June 23- 26. The board received information on the program.

The Fulmont Community Action mobile unit will be visiting the Town of Caroga on April 20th from 11 am – 2 pm and again on May 10th from 11 am – 2 pm. They will have information on the services available to seniors or residents with low income.

Ongoing training is being conducted by the Census Bureau at town hall. A resident asked why more people did not receive the survey in the mail. The supervisor responded that due to the amount of seasonal people they felt it was better to conduct person-to-person interviews in the whole Adirondack Park.

New Business:

1) Update Comprehensive Plan – this is a need that the supervisor has discussed with the Planning Board. A resolution is needed to move forward with this. The County Planning Director is scheduled to be at the May meeting of the Planning Board.

RESOLUTION to direct an Update of the Comprehensive Plan #2010-035

Offered by Supervisor Selmsler

Seconded by Councilman Sullivan

WHEREAS, the Caroga Town Board held its regular monthly meeting on April 14, 2010, and

WHEREAS, at a recent training that Supervisor Selmsler attended the importance of an updated Comprehensive Plan was discussed, and

WHEREAS, the Caroga Planning Board desires to create a vision for the community, and to provide a document, which will serve as a tool to preserve and restore the environment while improving the health, safety, and quality of life for the residents of the Town of Caroga, Now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Caroga Town Board does hereby move to direct the seven members of the Planning Board to review and update the town’s Comprehensive Plan which was last formulated in July of 2002.

Unanimously Carried

Agenda Item: Appoint Greta Frasier to vacant seat on Planning Board

RESOLUTION to appoint Planning Board Member #2010-036

Offered by Council Member Scribner

Seconded by Councilman Palcovic

WHEREAS, the Caroga Town Board held its regular monthly meeting on April 14, 2010, and

WHEREAS, The board received a resignation letter from Planning Board member Karen Wheeler, and

WHEREAS, alternate Greta Frasier has served on the board since March of 2009, and

WHEREAS, Chairman Scott Horton asked the alternate Greta Frasier if she would be willing to fill the vacancy, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Caroga Town Board does hereby move to appoint Greta Frasier of 2533 State Highway 10 Johnstown NY 12095 to fill out the term of Karen Wheeler, and whose term shall run until December 31, 2012.

Unanimously Carried

RESOLUTION to advertise for 2 alternates to serve on Planning Board #2010 -037

Offered by Council Member Scribner

Seconded by Councilman Russitano

WHEREAS, the Caroga Town Board held its regular monthly meeting on April 14, 2010, and

WHEREAS, the Planning Board has only had one alternate serving on the board, and with the appointment of Greta Frasier-Alternate to fill the vacancy on the board, this will leave the two alternate seats open, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Caroga Town Board does hereby move to post a notice in the Leader Herald Newspaper seeking two residents to serve as alternates to the Planning Board and whose term shall be until December 31, 2010.

Unanimously Carried

Correspondence:

- 1) Resignation letter from Karen Wheeler from Planning Board
- 2) Marc Butler – response to town Res. re: closing of Tryon school. Thanked board for concern.
- 3) New attendants at Transfer station
- 4) March 11 - Ed Zimick letter re: assessments
- 5) Fulmont Mobile Office April 20th at town hall
- 6) Caroga Lake Volunteer Fire Company discuss future purchase of town land. Chief Deluca noted that the town was sent a copy of their insurance papers. They are asking for permission to go onto the Town land and explore options to see if the land would be good for their use to build a new firehouse. It is a five-acre area that the town does not use.

RESOLUTION to allow the Vol. Fire Dept. to access town land #2010-038

Offered by Supervisor Selmsler

Seconded by Council Member Scribner

WHEREAS, the Caroga Town Board held its regular monthly meeting on April 14, 2010, and

WHEREAS, the Caroga Volunteer Fire Department is investigating options in their goal to build a new firehouse, and

WHEREAS, there is a track of land behind parcel 68.5-4-6 the current location of the Firehouse owned by the Town of Caroga over which the Fire Department would like to traverse and upon which it desires to conduct some tests, and

WHEREAS, the Fire Company has provided a copy of their certificate of insurance to the town, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Caroga town Board does hereby move to allow the Caroga Volunteer Fire Company access, for the purpose so stipulated, to the town owned parcel of land directly behind the current firehouse.

Unanimously Carried

Councilman Russitano asked about a joint facility with the fire department. He asked if there was grant money available. Councilman Palcovic stated there was thought given to the idea at one time but it was not feasible to have a dual function. He thought there would be a problem with pedestrian traffic and sirens going off. A large footprint is necessary based on federal guidelines for firehouses. A minimum of 3 acres is advised. Chief Deluca noted that FEMA put money out there but the projects had to be shovel ready. The estimated cost is between ½ million and a million. The guidance document was very large and had very specific criteria. It was noted that since the first grant in 2003 was obtained, the Caroga Vol. Fire Dept. has received ¼ million in funding for equipment.

7) APA Project Permit Notice 73-128B – Jung Realty Corp.

8) The town received a letter from Charis Gray from the Office of Children and Family Services stating that due to cuts the Town of Caroga recreation program funding was reduced to \$400.00 this year

Resolutions:

RESOLUTION to accept the resignation of a Planning Board Member #2010-039

Offered by Councilman Sullivan

Seconded by Council Member Scribner

WHEREAS, the Caroga Town Board held its regular monthly meeting on April 14, 2010, and

WHEREAS, Karen Wheeler did submit a letter of resignation from the Town of Caroga Planning Board dated March 18, 2010 to the Town Clerk, and also notified the Chairman Scott Horton in an e-mail dated March 3, 2010, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Caroga Town Board does hereby move, *with regrets*, to accept the resignation of Karen Wheeler from the Planning Board and does hereby thank her for serving since 2007 on the board as an alternate and as member.

Unanimously Carried

RESOLUTION to Re-appoint Mark Ford to Board of Assessment Review #2010-040

Offered by Council Member Scribner

Seconded by Councilman Russitano

WHEREAS, the Caroga Town Board held its regular monthly meeting on April 14, 2010, and

WHEREAS, the town board was notified that the term of Mark Ford – Assessment Review Board member did expire on September 30, 2009, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Ford was contacted and asked if he was interested in serving another term on the Assessment Review Board, even though he was not available to attend this year's Grievance Day on May 27, 2010, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Caroga Town Board does hereby move to re-appoint Mark L. Ford P. O. Box 201 Caroga Lake NY 12032 to serve another 5 year term on the Board of Assessment Review, which shall run until September 20, 2014.

Unanimously Carried

Councilman Palcovic explained the following is a consistent policy that is utilized throughout other municipal jurisdictions. He noted that other department heads submit a written report and he is requesting that written reports be generated from the Highway Department. Councilman Sullivan asked how much of this was supposed to be done by or according to Dept. of Transportation. Councilman Palcovic responded "pretty much all of it." Accountability of the fuel is a municipal policy. Supervisor Selmser agreed that this helps with transparency in government and provides a history. It is better record keeping. It was noted that the employee's personal health issues would remain private. Supervisor Selmser has generated some forms that may be helpful in record keeping. He will sit down with the Highway Superintendent if the resolution passes to go over what is being requested.

Deputy Highway Superintendent Wager was asked if there are currently any written records of the trucks that are being checked out before they are taken out/run in the morning. Mr. Wager responded the operator is supposed to have his own check list each morning, to check lights, oil, tarp, etc. to make sure that everything is in order before they roll. It is not supervised currently. A log should be mandatory for the operation of heavy equipment. Mr. Morrison noted there are forms on the wall for guys to use. He noted it would help him with maintenance. The town is trying to minimize the liability that falls back onto the town.

RESOLUTION to request reports from the Highway Superintendent #2010-041

Offered by Councilman Palcovic

Seconded by Council Member Scribner

WHEREAS, the Caroga Town Board held its regular monthly meeting on April 14, 2010, and

WHEREAS, Councilman Palcovic presented board members with a resolution he would like to see enacted so there is more accountability at the Highway Department and to reduce the liability to the town, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Caroga is directing the Town of Caroga Highway Superintendent to present in writing a monthly report of activity to include but not limited to the following:

- Mileage report of individual vehicles utilized in the course of town business
- Vehicular repairs and cost of each
- Fuel usage of each vehicle
- Current projects, near future projects
- Employee status, including injury and illness-without identifying names

Additionally the Highway Superintendent is directed to implement a vehicular logbook record for each vehicle under his cognizant responsibility which shall include mileage driven, daily fluids and mechanical check, amount of fuel added and a signature line for the driver/employee using said vehicle. And be it further

RESOLVED, that this resolution shall take effect May 1, 2010.

Unanimously Carried

RESOLUTION to Purchase Goods and Services locally **#2010-042**

Offered by Councilman Palcovic

Seconded by Councilman Sullivan

WHEREAS, the Caroga Town Board held its regular monthly meeting on April 14, 2010, and

WHEREAS, Councilman Palcovic presented board members with a resolution he would like to see enacted in the purchasing of all goods and services for the town, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that this resolution shall be applicable to all Department Heads of the Town of Caroga, Fulton County New York, In an effort to provide economic stability and support local business in the County of Fulton and State of New York. That purchasing of all goods and services for the Town of Caroga shall be completed with a priority of purchase location:

First being within the County of Fulton, Second consideration shall be within the Capital Region State of New York, Third consideration shall be within the State of New York, and Lastly considered for purchase shall be from companies that operate from outside the State of New York and shall need the Town Supervisors approval for purchase approval.

Local retail and wholesale companies that are chartered in another state are approved for priority business due to the fact that they are providing employment and sales tax revenue to the local economy.

Local businesses and services shall be utilize as much as reasonably possible and business accounts shall be established as needed to support the local economy. Sales Representatives that do not work for local or New York State based business may only be considered as a last purchase option as stated above.

This resolution shall not eliminate the competitive bidding or other legally required purchase requirements. This resolution shall become effective upon the passage by the Town Board, Town of Caroga, Fulton County New York.

Unanimously Carried

Councilman Palcovic made a motion pay the bills as presented for audit for the month of April, and to accept the minutes of the March meeting. Council Member Scribner seconded the motion.

RESOLUTION to pay Town Clerk Conference Expenditures #2010-0043

Offered by Councilman Sullivan

Seconded by Council Member Scribner

WHEREAS, the Caroga Town Board held its regular monthly meeting on April 14, 2010, and

WHEREAS, the Town Clerk will be attending the New York State Town Clerks Association Annual Conference in Saratoga Springs NY April 25 – 28, 2010, and

WHEREAS, the clerk has submitted a voucher for the registration fee and will submit a voucher for mileage for travel to and from the conference with the expenditure coming from account A1410.4 Contractual Expenses, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Caroga Town Board does hereby approve both expenses associated with the conference.

Unanimously Carried

A member of the public asked who would be the attendants at the transfer station. The county hired Paul Fiore and Ronald Travis.

At 8:32 pm Supervisor Selmser made a motion to adjourn, Councilman Palcovic seconded the motion, all board members were in favor of the motion.

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda M. Gilbert, RMC, CMC
Caroga Town Clerk